IDAPA 20 - DEPARTMENT OF LANDS - IDAHO BOARD OF SCALING PRACTICES

20.06.02 - GENERAL RULES, LICENSING AND CHECK SCALES OF THE IDAHO BOARD OF SCALING PRACTICES

DOCKET NO. 20-0602-0801

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Sections 38-1208 and 38-1220(a), Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: A public meeting on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

Friday - July 18, 2008 - 9:00 a.m. (PDT)

Idaho Department of Lands Louise Shadduck Office Building Sundance Conference Room 3780 Industrial Avenue South Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the informal negotiated rulemaking must do the following:

Interested persons are encouraged to attend and provide oral or written comments at the scheduled informal meeting on July 18, 2008. Written comments may also be submitted to the office of the Idaho Board of Scaling Practices no later than July 25, 2008.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

The Idaho Board of Scaling Practices is considering adoption of a new log scaling manual that better describes current Scribner decimal "C" scaling practices for commercial purposes. This would replace multiple references to the outdated National Forest Log Scaling Handbook, Amendment #6 edition, and also eliminate the need for most of the administrative rules currently stated in Chapter 3 Measurement Rules (IDAPA 20.06.03) which would be deleted in its entirety. The new log scaling manual contains a few minor revisions to current scaling practices, but scaling measurement methodology for commercial purposes would remain essentially unchanged from current administrative rules. The purpose of this negotiated rulemaking is to consider any revisions to the new log scaling manual, and the measurement rules that are proposed for inclusion in Chapter 2 Rules (IDAPA 20.06.02).

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, contact Ernie Bauer, phone 208-769-1445. The draft of the new log scaling manual and any preliminary drafts of proposed rules are available at: www.ibsp.idaho.gov (the Idaho Board of Scaling Practices website).

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before July 25, 2008.

DATED this 5th day of June, 2008.

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